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Amendment

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated August 27, 2002, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

Amendments

In the claims:

Cancel claim 1 and substitute therefor the following new claim 19:

- 19) A composite sandwich comprising:
- A) a multi-void core having two planar surfaces and including a plurality of continuous, parallel, longitudinal channels; and
 - B) at least one layer of a composite stiffening material attached to each of said two planar surfaces.